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# VUE

He who gives himself entirely to his fellow-men appears to them useless and selfish; but he who gives himself partially to them is pronounced a benefactor and philanthropist.—H. D. Thoreau

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## 'Boycott Illegal, Improper', Says Council

### SGA Acts To Recover Stolen Library Books Sponsors A Fine-Free Book Return Campaign

A meeting of the Student Association was held on Monday, February 5 at 6:30 p.m. Present were Tom Christensen, Bob Audette, Ann Courtney, Paul Celuzza, Linda Machler, Bob Day, Linda Hansen, Pat Murphy, Sue Page, Joe McDonough, Don Burnham, Ray Marhefka, Rich Maiolo, Frank Heidenrich, Paul Romano, Joan Iannitelli, Peggy Crawford, and John Picone, while Anne Hawkesworth, Dave Lane and Bob O'Reilly sent representatives. Absent were Peggy Pillion, Lenny Williamson, Diane Koslowski, Carolyn Williams, Bill Benson, Eileen Quinn, Maureen Grier, Kathy Ellia, Frank Baran, Linda Swide and Carol Robin.

The meeting began with a discussion concerning the poor attendance at meetings and the lack of members on the various committees set up by the S.G.A. To remedy the first problem, it was suggested that a survey be taken among the members to determine whether a different day for meetings might be more convenient. Concerning the second problem, it was suggested that lists of the committees be distributed to council members with the suggestion that they sign up for one or more of them. It was also proposed that the list of the various committees be posted on the Thompson Hall bulletin board and membership be opened to the student body.

The formal meeting began with a discussion on the proposed boycott of the Herlihy Hall cafeteria on Wednesday, February 7 and on Thursday, February 8. It was pointed out that the boycott was "im-

proper and illegal" because the action was not sanctioned by the S.G.A. as the official representatives of the student body. As a step to solving the food problem, the council approved a motion that the S.G.A. recommend to its food service committee that an open hearing be held to hear complaints from dorm students concerning the food. Also approved was a motion that the S.G.A. officially disassociate itself from the proposed boycott by posting a notice on the bulletin board stating that the action was illegal and improper.

The problem of recovering the library books stolen since last spring was then brought before the Council. Bob Audette made a motion that the S.G.A. sponsor a free book return day at the FSC library. On this day books could be returned to a designated spot with no fines imposed or questions asked. This was passed.

The resignations of Diane Koslowski as sophomore representative and of two members of the Financial Committee were announced. A class election will be held to replace the sophomore representative, whereas the S.G.A. is responsible for replacing the two committee members. It was decided to select one of the two people immediately. An election was held resulting in the election of Don Burnham to the committee. The second replacement, who will be a member of the student body rather than a council member, will be selected at a later date.

The last order of business was a report by social committee chairman Rich Maiolo on the Winter Carnival weekend. He reported that although Friday night's ball was a success, the inclement weather caused the cancellation of some activities and poor attendance at Sunday's concert and basketball game. A short discussion on other possible reasons for the poor attendance followed, after which the Council adjourned.

### Food Boycott Fails

To eat or not to eat; this was the question last Wednesday and Thursday nights. A boycott of the cafeteria was staged February 7 and 8. Although the complete facts which led to the protest are as yet undetermined, some facts are known.

Several freshman women notified the communication media in the area of the boycott. Word spread quickly and many students joined the protest. A sampling of student opinion revealed almost as many causes of protest as protesters involved. Wednesday night, 40-45% of the dorm students did not appear for dinner. Thursday night, attendance was almost normal according to Mr. John Boursy. Ironically, the number of lunches served on both days indicated an increase over the number normally served.

Mr. Boursy stated that if all the dorm students did not attend the Thanksgiving banquet, one could hardly expect maximum attendance at the mid-week dinners. "With dates, diets and part-time jobs, we never have 100% attendance," he said.

SGA immediately disclaimed any connection with the boycott stating that it was illegal and improper. On several previous occasions, the food committee of SGA has dealt quickly and efficiently with any problems arising in

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### DO YOU KNOW

On Monday, February 19 at 7:30 p.m., the Newman Association will begin a series of discussions at the Center on Highland Avenue for students interested in participating in the ecumenical movement.

Volume II of "Living Room Dialogues" will be used as a guide for the discussions, which will center around the role of the Christian Church in secularized society. The group is open to all those interested in fostering communication and understanding between the divided segments of Christianity — Protestant, Catholic and Orthodox.

### MODERN DANCERS PERFORM

Miss Eleanor Thompson and her modern dance company appeared at the February 6 All College Period in Weston Auditorium. After being introduced by Philip Barth for the Cultural Events Committee, Miss Thompson entered into a rather lengthy discussion of theories and personalities associated with modern dancing. She stated that inspiration, interpretation and improvisation are the main elements of the modern dance.

The use of these elements by Miss Thompson's group, composed mostly of married women who dance as a hobby, was particularly not(e)worthy. Their inspiration was well chosen, it ranged from classical Chopin to contemporary Herb Alpert. Their interpretation may also be considered good, but only in the eyes of

the doer. Rather than conveying an expression of inner motivation and graceful body movements, their hesitant choreography seemed more of an excuse for personal exhibition.

Two performances by a dance teacher, were the only selections worth watching. This teacher and one of her students each did a different solo dance number to the same piece of music, and then combined the two variations. The result was gratifying.

To be successful in a difficult and exacting field as modern dance, one must devote much time and practice to it. This sign of professionalism was not evident in the performances of Miss Thompson's company.

M. D.

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WHERE: State Armory, Wallace Ave., Fitchburg

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FOOD REQUIREMENT: Eat normally except limit fatty foods for four hours before donating.

BLOOD CREDIT: Have organization, industry or family member call Red Cross should you or immediate family member need blood in the year ahead, so replacement can be arranged up to five pints per hospitalization at Burbank or elsewhere.

### The Paul Quinlan Trio Folk Concert

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TONIGHT, FEBRUARY 14

7:30 p. m. 99c

Weston Auditorium



# Editorial - -

## Thoughts Before Action

Those students who anonymously called for a boycott of the dorm cafeteria have dealt a serious blow to representative student government. Their public course of action to remedy the alleged situation was taken without first exhausting the governmental mechanisms that are built into our system of student government.

S.G.A. has a standing committee which is ready to investigate any complaints brought to them. It is then the committee's responsibility to make recommendations to the council concerning action to be taken. This committee has previously demonstrated its concern by acting promptly when notified of problems by dorm students.

Irresponsible is the only term that describes the actions of these students. They, however, were followed by a larger number of fellow students who supported their venture. Here is the tragedy in this whole episode. Only last December, the S.G.A. petitioned the administration for an extra week of Christmas vacation in their behalf. Their representatives are jointly working with the faculty on a proposed code of conduct and maintain an office and staff to serve the students.

What happened? Did these individuals suddenly believe that their elected government became pawns of the administration? Or was it because of impatience and the need to act in any manner rather than utilizing the sometimes slower apparatus of government?

Let us remember that we support the governmental procedure only when we are willing to adhere to its adopted precepts in time of disagreement with these precepts. If these students have grievances, they have every right to seek redress of these grievances. But not by disparaging the student government and acting lawlessly!



"WHEN WILL YOU PEOPLE LEARN TO PROCESS YOUR GRIEVANCES THROUGH CHANNELS?"

### Ed. Note

In last week's KV, it was erroneously printed that the Peace Corps movie would be shown during the all-college period. The movie will be shown today. Check the bulletin boards for the time.

### Wachusett Chorale

Miss Regina Lopes presented a short piano recital during the Wachusett Chorale's program in Weston Auditorium, Sunday evening. Miss Lopes has performed with Leopold Stokowski in Boston and has given concerts along the East Coast. She received her BA from Boston University, her MA in Music from Eastman College and is presently studying for her doctorate from the University of Illinois.

Other faculty members of the Chorale who participated in the program, which featured selections from four centuries of choral literature, are Mr. Donald Adams and Mr. Harry Semerjian. Dr. Richard Kent chairman of the music department is the director of the Chorale.

Parkville, Mo. — (I.P.) — Park College students now share in making administrative and academic decisions, reports Dr. L. Richard Meeth, new dean of the college. These changes are not being made under student pressure, he states, but because students should legitimately have a share in the kind of education they will receive and because the college believes that this is the best way to teach responsible behavior.

Students will serve on appointed faculty committees, evaluate current members of the faculty and will interview applicants for teaching positions, under innovations introduced by Dr. Meeth.

Students also rate non-tenured teachers on the basis of observed behavior — not professional competence. Ratings will be used as one of the factors determining salary increases, promotions and tenure. A student interview committee, appointed by the student council, will assist in the selection of new teachers. Its opinion will carry the same weight as that of a faculty member, Dean Meeth said. The committee's primary purpose will be to see how a candidate relates to students. Members of the committee will judge an applicant's approach — not his credentials.

Although student interview committees are not as yet prevalent, student participation in the shaping of college policies is increasing in American colleges and universities, Dean Meeth pointed out.

### A CREATION

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A plea for hatred.  
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To leave this world of indecision.  
The every thought, idea, but victim in the quicksand of gray matter.  
One decision.  
Freedom, burst into being!  
The New World is yet to be discovered.  
If need be, created.  
That in which I will live.

Rosalyn M. Hemingway  
Math '68

### Food Boycott

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this area.  
Claire Sullivan, acting president of the Dorm Council, felt

that the lack of attendance at either meal was precipitated by the fact that those students instigating the boycott chose nights when two of the less popular meals were being served.

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As a result he tends to play it safe, takes no experimental courses, sticks to familiar subject fields and may fret throughout his whole college career because of low grades received during his freshman adjustment to college-level work.

Stonehill College hopes to solve these prevalent problems through a new grading system recently adopted by a joint faculty-student committee at the college.

The major feature of the new system provides that freshman grades are not included in the overall graduation average. The student must do well enough to be admitted to the sophomore class but his marks are not counted in his cumulative average. In effect, he begins his sophomore year with a clean slate without being forced to live with low grades that he might have received in his early college days.

Besides giving the student a fresh chance at his graduation average, the new system has the added advantage of facili-

tating a change in a major program. A student may find, during his freshman year, that he prefers or has more aptitude for a different program than his original choice. He now can make his changeover without being saddled with any low grades resulting from his initial efforts. This could be a particularly important factor in case of subsequent application for graduate school.

To encourage students to experiment with courses outside of their major field, thus broadening their education and allowing for the exercise of intellectual curiosity, the new system also grants students a pass-failure grade option.

Educators have long considered the freshman year as the period of greatest adjustment to college. The so-called "sophomore doldrums" are frequently the result of psychological problems induced by difficulties encountered in the freshman year.

It is felt that Stonehill's new system, offering a fresh start at the sophomore level, will provide a psychological lift to counteract this normally difficult college phase. The student's sense of participation will be greatly strengthened as he recognizes that he has more selectivity, that he can explore subject fields with relative freedom and that he can make a change in program without being penalized.

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## Four Consecutive Losses Mar Falcons Record FSC Faces Worcester State Tomorrow Night

Three losses marked the standings for the FSC hoopers in the span of four days. Keene State trounced the Falcons in a close 103-99 contest Wednesday, February 7 in Keene. Gary Nelson, co-captain, was top individual scorer with 38 points. Others from FSC hitting double figures were Pete Sardelis with 21, Pat Murphy, 19, and Tom Kirklauskas, 10.

February 5, Westfield State topped FSC cagers 104-72. Down by twenty at the half, the Falcons failed to overcome the deficit. Nelson with 22 points and Sardelis with 20 were the only two from Fitchburg with tallies of double figures on their home court.

In a close, low-scoring contest, February 3 in Vermont, Castleton State downed FSC 67-65. With the score tied 60-60 at the three minute mark,



Senior Barry Finneron gets set to take foul shot at Boston State Game. BSC won 81-78.

the Falcons could not manage to get ahead. Kirklauskas was top scorer for the Falcons with 20. Nelson and Sardelis each caged 13.

Despite a last period preps by the Falcons, Boston State was the victor in a contest Saturday night in Parkinson gym with a final score of 81-78.

FSC had a lead of two points at the half but trailed

during the rest of the game. In addition to the starting line-up of Murphy, Finneron, Nelson, Kirklauskas and Sardelis, Locke, Southworth, Bretin, Morrilly and Cunningham saw much action.

### TEAM RECORD

	Fitchburg	Opponent	
Dec. 1	Keene State	77 52	H
Dec. 7	North Adams State	59 75	H
Dec. 9	Gorham State	52 50	H
Dec. 12	Rhode Island College	77 96	A
Dec. 15	Lowell State	72 56	H
Jan. 3	Lowell State	79 89	A
Jan. 5	Bridgewater State	56 61	A
Jan. 9	Eastern Conn. State	84 81 (O.T.)	A
Jan. 11	Plymouth College	74 84	H
Jan. 13	Curry College	68 62	A
Jan. 30	Worcester State	73 72	A
Feb. 3	Castleton State	65 67	A
Feb. 5	Westfield State	72 104	H
Feb. 7	Keene State	99 103	A
Feb. 10	Boston State	78 81	H

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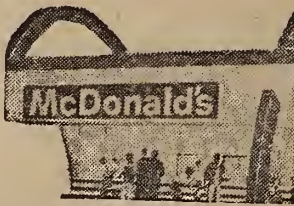
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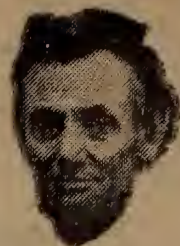
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